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Applicant: Overman et al. )  
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For: FLATS MAIL AUTOTRAYER )  
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RESPONSE TO NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF APPLICATION

Sir:

In response to the Notice to File Missing Parts of Nonprovisional Application dated December 11, 2000, please find enclosed the following:

1. An executed Declaration, Power of Attorney and Correspondence Address;
2. An Assignment with recordation cover sheet;
3. A Form PTO-2038 authorizing the Commissioner to charge the amount of \$1470.00 (in payment of the \$40.00 recordation fee, the \$130.00 surcharge fee, and the \$1300.00 petition to revive fee); and
4. A copy of the Notice to File Missing Parts of Application.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required, including if necessary the above fees if there is

any problem with the credit card charge, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 16-0657.

This Response is being filed along with a Petition to Revive.

A postcard is enclosed evidencing receipt of the same.

Respectfully submitted,

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FORMALITIES LETTER



Date Mailed: 12/11/2000

**NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION**

FILED UNDER 37 CFR 1.53(b)

*Filing Date Granted*

An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given TWO MONTHS from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(e).

- The oath or declaration is missing.  
*A properly signed oath or declaration in compliance with 37 CFR 1.63, identifying the application by the above Application Number and Filing Date, is required.*
- To avoid abandonment, a late filing fee or oath or declaration surcharge as set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(e) of \$130 for a non-small entity, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.
- The balance due by applicant is \$ 130.

*A copy of this notice MUST be returned with the reply.*

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CONFIRMATION NO. 3830  
ABANDONMENT/TERMINATION  
LETTER  
  
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Date Mailed: 10/31/2002

### NOTICE OF ABANDONMENT UNDER 37 CFR 1.53 (f) OR (g)

The above-identified application is abandoned for failure to timely or properly reply to the Notice to File Missing Parts (Notice) mailed on 12/11/2000.

- No reply was received.

A petition to the Commissioner under 37 CFR 1.137 may be filed requesting that the application be revived.

Under 37 CFR 1.137(a), a petition requesting the application be revived on the grounds of **UNAVOIDABLE DELAY** must be filed promptly after the applicant becomes aware of the abandonment and such petition must be accompanied by: (1) an adequate showing of the cause of unavoidable delay; (2) the required reply to the above-identified Notice; (3) the petition fee set forth in 37 CFR 1.17(l); and (4) a terminal disclaimer if required by 37 CFR 1.137(d).

Under 37 CFR 1.137(b), a petition requesting the application be revived on the grounds of **UNINTENTIONAL DELAY** must be filed promptly after applicant becomes aware of the abandonment and such petition must be accompanied by: (1) a statement that the entire delay was unintentional; (2) the required reply to the above-identified Notice; (3) the petition fee set forth in 37 CFR 1.17(m); and (4) a terminal disclaimer if required by 37 CFR 1.137(d).

Any questions concerning petitions to revive should be directed to "Office of Petitions" at (703) 305-9282.

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